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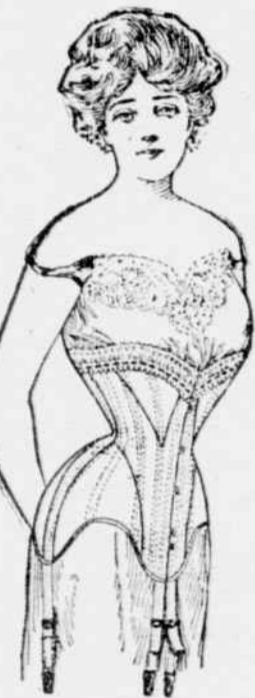
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BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS.

Special Correspondence of The Star and the Chicago Record-Herald.

NEW YORK, February 15, 1906.

Mr. Hubert Vos, the famous Dutch artist, who is well known in Chicago and Washington, and has done a great deal of portrait work in both cities, has just returned from a six months' visit to China, where he was called to paint the emperor and the empress dowager. The empress has learned that pictures last longer than monuments, and, to perpetuate her memory, ordered two portraits; one representing her as she appeared when she was thirty years of age and the other as she appeared when she was seventy. She had already been three times painted by Miss Carl, an American artist, who had been recommended by Mrs. Canger, wife of the recent American minister to Peking, but the pictures were not satisfactory, and hence Mr. Vos, who spent a winter at the Chinese court, and had painted several of the princes of the court, was sent for and given the commission. The emperor finally decided not to have his picture painted, although he was repeatedly urged to do so by his imperial aunt and other members of the family, and also by the minister. He consistently refused to do so. The empress, however, gave Mr. Vos repeated sittings at the palace in Peking and at the summer palace twelve or fifteen miles from the city.

Good Taste of the Empress.

Mr. Vos says that she is herself a gifted artist and has remarkably good taste. She selected her costumes and her pose and designed the background of her pictures. One of the portraits is very large. It represents her imperial majesty at the age of thirty, seated upon the throne, surrounded by symbols of power and emblems of her dynasty, which the Chinese call "Ming Imperial." In the background is a glimpse of the imperial park—a lake and a bamboo grove—and on each side of the throne is a large vase, which she selected from her collection. She appears in the Manchu head-dress, which is made of false hair shaped like an open fan, and is decorated with wide and ornamented with pearls and other precious stones and jade ornaments of different colors. Her robe is of imperial yellow silk (Mr. Vos says that she wears anything but yellow and blue), and interwoven in the fabric are the familiar designs which mean "good luck" and "long life." The nails upon her four and five fingers are between four and five inches long, and upon them she wears protectors of gold, beautifully encrusted with jewels. She holds a fan stiff flat painted by the court painter, who was her teacher. She paints fans very well herself and has done some good flowers and trees on kagans, as rolling screens are called. Beside her is a bowl filled with apples, which signify prosperity. Mr. Vos suggests that the empress is very fond of the fragrance of apples.

The second picture is also life-size, but it is painted upon a much smaller canvas and is a striking likeness of the empress as she appears today. She sits upon a rosewood throne and the background is a screen painted with the dragons that represent civil authority, with an inscription that reads: "Perfect purity. Hsu-Hsi, Her Imperial Majesty, the Great Empress Dowager." Behind this inscription, on the background are representations of her three seals of authority.

In this picture she wears the Manchu head-dress, similar to that worn in the other, but her robe is blue instead of yellow, and is covered with exquisite symbolical designs embroidered in white silk. She holds a fan in her hand, similar to that in the other picture, and shows her nail protectors, while around her neck is a string of large pearls, with a pendant of two black pear-shaped pearls of unusual size and beauty. The frame of the picture was made by the empress herself, and holds, after designs by Mr. Vos. The material is mahogany, beautifully carved, and ornamented with cloisonné panels and rosettes.

A Remarkable Character.

Mr. Vos insists that she is the greatest woman that ever lived, and her reign, he declares, is the most remarkable in all history, extending over more than forty years, an absolute autocrat over a population of 400,000,000, in a country where women are secluded and have been repressed for countless generations and have been in alliance with the Manchu. He says that you can feel her power wherever you go; nothing is done in China without her knowledge and approval. As he speaks, he has a stern character and disposition, and found that she was a very different sort of a woman from what he had expected. He expected a woman with a very strong character, and will permit no infringement of her authority or prerogative; she is a sweet, gentle, motherly woman, with a kindly heart, and the kind heart and always thoughtful for the comfort and pleasure of those who attend her or in any way come under her influence. Mr. Vos also speaks of the late prime minister of China, Chang-Qian, director of the imperial household, and several other members of the court, including Wu Ting-fang, who was formerly minister to Washington, and who acted as his interpreter while he was painting the empress. He also speaks of the late Norman Munthe, a German soldier, who is acting as foreign adviser to Yuan Shih-kai, vice roy of Peking. He left several commissions unfinished, and expects to return to China as soon as he has settled some business affairs which called him home. With the permission of the empress, he brought with him the second portrait, which represents her at the age of seventy, for the Paris salon next spring. In the meantime it will be on exhibition at his studio, No. 15 West 67th street, New York city.

Missionary Work in China.

The Rev. Arthur Judson Brown, D.D., secretary of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions, gave some interesting information concerning missionary work in China in the speech he delivered at the banquet given to the Chinese commissioners by the Protestant missionary associations at New York the other day. He said that the American Protestants are now maintaining in the Chinese empire alone 1,133 missionaries, 1,000 schools and colleges, 100 hospitals and dispensaries, which treat every year an average of 5,000,000 patients, and nine printing presses, which annually an average of 119,000,000 pages; and they are expending in the maintenance of these enterprises more than \$12,500,000 a year.

This does not include the Catholic missionary work, which is not under American jurisdiction, but under the French. There are only one or two American Roman Catholic missionaries in China.

In speaking of missionary work in China he said that the first hospital, the first and only school for the blind, the first and only school for deaf mutes, the first and only hospital for the insane, the first relief for lepers, were provided by American missionaries, and he quoted the late Colonel Chas. Denby, for thirteen years American minister to Peking, as saying that "the missionary has been the educator of the natives. He has written original books for them and has translated foreign books into their language. He has established schools, col-

leges and hospitals. He has introduced foreign arts and sciences into China. It is not because of his religion that the missionaries are attacked by mobs; it is because of his race. It is the foreigners and not the Christians against whom mobs are gathered. A great portion of the missionaries' time is devoted to teaching, to healing the sick, to charity and to literary work. The woman missionary bears her part in this great work of instruction. She takes in her arms the poor, neglected child, and transforms her into an intelligent, educated woman. If the missionaries had done nothing else for China, they would have transformed the conditions of the women would be a glory enough.

The Civilization of China.

In speaking of what America has taught China, Dr. Brown mentions some historical facts which ought to be remembered. "China has a civilization of her own," he said, "more ancient than ours, and quite as well adapted to her needs. We remember with respect that the Chinese are frugal, industrious and respectful to parents. All the world is indebted to a people whose ancestors made accurate observations 200 years before Abraham left for the promised land. The Chinese were the first to use firearms at the beginning of the Christian era; who first grew tea, manufactured gunpowder, invented silk, glue and gelatine; who used paper 150 years before Christ; who invented printing by movable type 500 years before that art was known in Europe; who discovered the mariner's compass, dug the first canal, built the first arch, made mountain roads, which, when new, probably equaled in engineering and construction anything of the kind ever built by the Romans; and who were silk and lived in houses when our ancestors slept in caves and wore the dresses of skins of wild beasts."

Treatment of Chinese Travelers.

Dr. Brown made an earnest plea for the modification of the exclusion law and the just treatment of Chinese travelers in our ports. He quotes President Cleveland's message to Congress in 1885, in which he expressed "the humiliation that every decent American feels on this subject," and Mr. Bayard, who, when Secretary of State, said: "We are indignant at the sneaking wrongs inflicted upon our countrymen and are mortified that such a large number of them have been cast upon the records of our government."

Dr. Brown said: "It is true that the majority of the American people do not wish it wise to open our doors to Chinese laborers, but we know that the Chinese government does not ask this. The question at issue relates solely to Chinese laborers. Labor leaders declare that their unwillingness to have the exclusion laws so modified is that many coolies gain fraudulent entrance on pretense of being merchants or students. I submit, Mr. Chairman, continued Dr. Brown, that the number of coolies who can successfully evade a rigorously enforced law is insignificant. I do not think that the Chinese government does not put the cause of labor in a dignified position when, for the sake of excluding a comparatively handful of Chinese coolies, the whole American people are compelled to pay the price. The question at issue is not the nations of the earth, that cripples our trade, that destroyed our opportunity to educate the young men of China, that arouses the just resentment of a great people, and that is glaringly inconsistent with justice with honor and with the 'square deal' on which we want to pride ourselves."

We rejoice that the President of the United States has given the subject his great influence to the movement for the decent treatment of Chinese immigrants. In his recent message to Congress he said: "In the effort to carry out the exclusion laws, Chinese laborers have been treated with injustice and wrong have been done by this nation to the people of China, and thereby to the nation. Our laws and treaties should be framed not so as to put these people in the position of slaves, but to place them on a basis of equality with the citizens of this country. Congress should know that this is the sentiment of the overwhelming majority of fair-minded people."

RECEPTION AND DANCE.

Function at the Westover in Interest of Calvert Mansion.

To usher in the season of festivities in and for the benefit of the old Calvert mansion at Riverdale, Md., Mrs. E. L. W. Heyl, daughter of the late John W. Heyl, 16th and U streets northwest, last night, followed by a dance. Refreshments were served. Among those present were: Miss Belle Lenman, Mr. Charles Phillips, Miss Clara Ross, Mr. Phillips, Col. Richard Phillips, Col. W. J. Wilson, Mrs. Howard Reed, Miss Amelia Brown, Capt. and Mrs. Reed, Miss Reed, Mrs. and Miss J. W. Heyl, Mr. Rangle, Mrs. and Miss J. W. Heyl, Miss F. M. Cadden, Mrs. and Mrs. Gifford, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hall, Mr. Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Heyl, Mr. and Mrs. Lamerson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Keener, Miss Louise Bennett, Miss Laura Sims, Mr. and Mrs. Heyl, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Landry, Miss Maude Dakin, Mr. and Mrs. Galliard Hunt, Mr. Paul Christian, Mr. Douglas Plunkett, James A. Kallman, Miss Jennie Dierken, Miss Estelle Davis, Mr. Berkeley R. Davis, Miss Alice Lerch, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Murphy, Mr. Charles McRobert, Father Duffy, Father Devitt, Father Lancaster, Representative Watkins of Louisiana, Mr. Dorman, Father Stafford, Mr. and Mrs. Schneider, Mrs. and Miss Treou, Dr. Ada R. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Lee R. Martin, Mr. Thomas Martin, Mr. and Mrs. George Calvert, Mrs. Ignatius Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster, Mr. Wesley Chambers, Mr. Wunder, Mr. James Goodwin, Mr. Caramack, Mr. Lane, Mr. Snowden, Dr. Adams, Miss Annie Hubert, Miss Maria Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony, Dr. Horace Taylor, Mrs. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Chang of China, Mr. Sigmond Rhee of Korea, Dr. Miller, Mr. O. T. Ward, Miss Ellie Gaud, Miss Isabel Norvell, Mrs. J. A. Coleman, Miss Mamie Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Featman, Miss Belle Latimer, Mr. Wilmer Worth, Mr. E. J. Boyd, Mrs. Emily Elliott, Miss Elliott, Mrs. Leo Kolb.

The Calvert mansion at Riverdale, Md., was recently purchased by a party of ladies and gentlemen who propose to restore it to its former and original appearance. Its walls are covered with valuable wall hangings around it, the Custises being connected with the Calverts. There are a number of rooms famous for having been the temporary abode of prominent persons among them General Lafayette, Henry Clay and Daniel Webster. Several of the rooms have been occupied by the Calverts, and Mrs. E. L. W. Reynolds of New Orleans was, upon request, given the one which was occupied by General Lafayette upon his second visit to this country in 1825.

Mrs. Reynolds is to call it the Louisiana room, and is having made, besides other repairs, a handsome coat of arms of the state of Louisiana, which will adorn the door of the famous room. The Calvert mansion is undergoing extensive repairs and is to be heated and lighted in modern manner.

NEEDS OF ANACOSTIA.

Business Matters Discussed at Meeting of Citizens' Association.

The Anacostia Citizens' Association held its regular meeting Wednesday evening. Announcement was made by the secretary of the meeting of the executive committee of the organization, called to consider the situation in reference to the various bills presented affecting the public school system of the District. The action of the committee was favorable to the bill introduced by the Commissioners, a statement to this effect having been forwarded to the committees of the Senate and House of Representatives of the District of Columbia, with recommendations urging its passage in its present form.

The association received information, through letter from the Engineer Commissioner, who replied to the complaint lodged against the alleged dangerous condition of the street between the Commissioners' office and the school, and in substance, that minor repairs would correct the evil complained of, and that to do this a reconstruction of the street would be necessary. The association is of the opinion that a special appropriation by Congress before this improvement could be undertaken.

Dr. R. A. Pyles, advocated placing this

matter in the hands of the legislative committee, it being probably too late to procure an appropriation from the present Congress, but it is to be hoped that the committee will be able to take up the project and Mr. Anacostia will be able to secure the appointment of a special committee for Monroe street, as the changes to be made there would likely be radical ones. The motion of Dr. Pyles in favor of the appointment of a special committee for Monroe street, was carried, and the legislative committee was instructed to take charge of the matter.

A report was placed before the committee for the street railroad committee by Mr. Charles R. Burr, who said a new waiting station is being erected for street car patrons at the junction of the Anacostia and Congress Heights street car lines, on Nichols avenue. He further reported having heard it was the intention of the railroad company to install an underground system along Monroe street instead of the present trolley installation when the bridge under construction across the Eastern branch at Anacostia is completed.

Mr. J. Edwin Minix, speaking for the committee on water, lights and sewers, reported the putting down of several sewers recently in town. It was ascertained that the committee had a previous report on file that was deemed to be a partial one, and the report was referred to the committee for further action.

Mr. George O. Watson made a resume of the efforts on the part of the association to bring about a satisfactory condition at the site of the former public dumping ground at the foot of Buchanan street near the river. The correspondence in the matter between the Commissioners and the association was read and discussed. The substance of the decision of the Commissioners was that a dump must be placed in the place, but the place had been instructed to prevent such action hereafter. The discussion was taken up by Mr. Watson, Mr. Moore, Thompson, Wilson, Dr. Watson and Dr. Pyles, and was ended by the acceptance of the committee's report, the committee being, however, continuing in session.

A communication was read from Mr. William G. Henderson asking for the naming of a member of the association to act with the committee appointed at the last mass meeting in the interest of better street car service on the various roads in the District. The president named Secretary of the association as a member of the association for this duty.

Mr. J. W. Bryan was elected a member of the association. Capt. John Miller of Congress Heights was introduced by Mr. Watson. President Watson announced the annual election of officers for the association would occur at the next meeting.

## ROCKVILLE AND VICINITY.

Matters of Interest in Montgomery County.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ROCKVILLE, Md., February 16, 1906. Mr. Charles Henry Gibbs and Mrs. Frances Jane Ward, both of Washington, visited Rockville yesterday and were married by Rev. Philip McGuire, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church, the ceremony taking place at St. Mary's parsonage, in the presence of a Washington friend of the couple.

The Home Missionary Society of the Rockville M. E. Church South has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. R. E. L. Smith; vice president, Mrs. James F. Allen, Mrs. George H. Lamar and Mrs. Clarence L. Hekerson; recording secretary, Mrs. E. L. Wolf; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. M. Lintner; treasurer, Mrs. Robert C. Warfield; superintendent of press bureau, Miss Rose Armstrong.

A musical and literary entertainment for the benefit of St. Agnes' Catholic Mission, at Glen Echo, this county, will be held at the Glen Echo town hall the evening of February 26. It will be under the direction of the choir of St. Agnes' Church, Tenleytown. It will be followed by a dance and supper.

Mr. Charles F. Brooke of Oney, this county, has been reappointed fish commissioner for the western shore of Maryland.

Deputy Walter C. Carroll has introduced in the legislature a bill amending the charter of Glen Echo. The bill provides that in regard to tax sales, under the charter of Glen Echo, no notice is required to be reported to the circuit court for ratification, and in this respect the charter is understood to be defective. The bill is understood to correct this imperfection and makes a number of less important changes.

Miss Elizabeth Fields has issued invitations to a dance to be given in the Rockville opera house next Wednesday evening in honor of the Rockville Card Club. The Rockville Card Club has decided to contribute \$2,000 toward the erection of a new house of worship in Rockville, a mistake, application for the amount mentioned has been made by the local church, but that such a sum will be appropriated is understood to be improbable.

Miss Lulu Clagett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clagett of Potomac district, and Mr. John W. Stephens of the upper section of the county, were married in St. Mary's Catholic Church, at this place, next Wednesday at noon.

## DEATH OF PURSER JONES.

Body Found in Room Aboard Steamer Anne Arundel.

J. William Jones, purser of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia railway line steamer Anne Arundel, who was found dead in his berth aboard the steamer Tuesday afternoon, was one of the most popular young steamboat men on the Potomac river. He had many friends in this city to whom the announcement of his death was a decided shock. Mr. Jones, after the steamer reached here from Baltimore early yesterday morning, went to his room seemingly well. As is the custom on the steamers where the officers have been up late the night before, Mr. Jones was not called for breakfast and as he had not appeared at dinner time, the stewards called him. Receiving no response to repeated knocks, his door was opened and Mr. Jones was found lying dead in his berth. His death is thought to have been caused by a disease from which he had suffered for a number of years.

The deceased was thirty-four years of age, and for the past ten years had been employed as purser on the steamers, running between this city and Baltimore. He is survived by his wife, who was a Miss Smythe of this city. The body was sent to the home of Mr. Jones in Baltimore, last evening. Willie Jones, as every one called him, was of engaging personality and he had friends at every landing on the Potomac, Rappahannock and Patuxent rivers, where the steamers on which he was employed ran, and with the hundreds of persons in the city, who, each summer made trips on his steamer. As a mark of respect to his memory, all the steamers in the harbor are flying their flags at half mast.

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